PATENT DRAWING REVIEW NOTICE (Under 37 CFR 1.84 and 1.152)

The drawing(s), filed on 8/20/2003, are approved by the USPTO Drafting Standard.

) Drawings. 1.84(a): Acceptable	8) Arrangement of views. 1.84(i):
categories of drawings: Black ink or	■ Words do not appear on a horizontal,
Color (3 sets required).	left-to-right fashion when page is either
☐ Color drawings are not acceptable until	upright or turned so that the top becomes
petition is granted. Fig(s)	the right side, except for graphs.
Pencil and non black not permitted.	Fig(s)
Fig(s)	9) Scale. 1.84(k):
) Photographs, 1.84(b):	☐ Scale not large enough to show mechanism
One (1) full tone set is required. Fig(s)	without crowding when drawing is reduced
Photographs may not be mounted. 1.84(e).	in size to two-thirds in reproduction.
Photographs must meet paper size requirements	Fig(s)
of 1.84(f). Fig(s)	10) Character of lines, numbers & letters.
) Type of paper. 1.84(e):	1.84(I):
Paper not flexible, strong, white and durable.	
	☐ Lines, numbers and letters not uniformly
Fig(s)	thick and well defined, clean, durable and
☐ Erasures, alterations, over writings,	black (poor) line quality.
interlineations, folds, copy machine marks not	Fig(s)
not accepted. Fig(s)	11) Shading. 1.84(m):
) Size of paper. 1.84(f):	Solid black areas pale. Fig(s)
Acceptable sizes:	☐ Solid black shading not permitted.
21.0 cm by 29.7 cm (DIN size A4)	Fig(s)
21.6 cm by 27.9 cm (8 ½ x 11 inches)	12) Numbers, letters, & reference characters.
☐ All drawing sheets not the same size.	1.84(p):
Shect(s)	☐ Numbers and reference characters not plain
☐ Drawing sheets not an acceptable size.	and legible. Fig(s)
Fig(s)	Figure legends are poor. Fig(s)
) Margins. 1.84(g):	Numbers and reference characters not
Acceptable margins:	oriented in the same direction as the view.
Top 2.5 cm Left 2.5 cm	1.84(p)(1). Fig(s)
Right 1.5 cm Bottom 1.0 cm	☐ English alphabet not used. 1.84(p)(2).
Margins not acceptable: Fig(s)	Fig(s)
Top (T) Left (L)	Numbers, letters and reference characters
Right (R Bottom (B)	must be at least .32 cm (1/8 inch) in height.
) Views. 1.84(h)	1.84(p)(3). Fig(s)
REMINDER: Specification may require revision to	13) Lead lines. 1.84(q):
Correspond to drawing changes, e.g., if Fig. 1 is	Lead lines missing. Fig(s)
changed to Fig. 1A, Fig. 1B, and Fig. 1C, etc., the	
specification, at the Brief Description of the	14) Numbering of sheets of drawings. 1.84(t):
Drawings, must likewise be changed.	☐ Sheets not numbered consecutively, and in
☐ View not labeled separately or properly.	Arabic numbers beginning with number 1.
Fig(s)	Fig(s)
	15) Numbering of views. 1.84(p)(u):
) Sectional views. 1.84(h)(3):	☐ Views not numbered consecutively, and in
☐ Sectional designation should be noted with	Arabic numerals, beginning with number 1.
Arabic or Roman numbers.	Fig(s)
Fig(s)	16) Design drawings, 1.152
	☐ Surface shading shown not appropriate.
	Fig(s)
	Solid black surface shading is not permitted
	except when used to represent the color black
	as well as color contrast. Fig(s)
	1.6(4)

COMMENTS:

Attachment for PTO-948 (Rev. 03/01, or earlier)

The below text replaces the pre-printed text under the heading, "Information on How to Effect Drawing Changes," on the back of the PTO-948 (Rev. 03/01, or earlier) form.

INFORMATION ON HOW TO EFFECT DRAWING CHANGES

1. Correction of Informalities - 37 CFR 1.85

New corrected drawings must be filed with the changes incorporated therein. Identifying indicia, if provided, should include the title of the invention, inventor's name, and application number, or docket number (if any) if an application number has not been assigned to the application. If this information is provided, it must be placed on the front of each sheet and centered within the top margin. If corrected drawings are required in a Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37), the new drawings MUST be filed within the THREE MONTH shortened statutory period set for reply in the Notice of Allowability. Extensions of time may NOT be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b) for filing the corrected drawings after the mailing of a Notice of Allowability. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.

2. Corrections other than Informalities Noted by Draftsperson on form PTO-948.

All changes to the drawings, other than informalities noted by the Draftsperson, MUST be made in the same manner as above except that, normally, a highlighted (preferably red ink) sketch of the changes to be incorporated into the new drawings MUST be approved by the examiner before the application will be allowed. No changes will be permitted to be made, other than correction of informalities, unless the examiner has approved the proposed changes.

Timing of Corrections

Applicant is required to submit the drawing corrections within the time period set in the attached Office communication. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).

Failure to take corrective action within the set period will result in ABANDONMENT of the application.